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SUBJECT: RELEASES OF POLITICAL PRISONERS

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1. IN ADDITION TO THE FIVE PERSONS CONVICTED IN THE BOGADO GONDRA CASE WHO WERE RELEASED JULY 22 (REFTEL A), THE GOP HAS BEEN RELEASING POLITICAL PRISONERS FROM TIME TO TIME OVER THE PAST MONTH. THOSE WHO WERE IN EMBOSCAD PRISON INCLUDE CARLOS ALBERTO OTEIZA AKA JOHNY USARIAR SITTEN (JULY 11);, LIDIA ESTER CABRERA DE FRANCO (JULY 14); CONSTANTINO EULOGIO CORONEL ZORILLA (JULY 20); ESTEBAN CABRERA MAIZ AND CARLOS ERNESTO CASCO SPEZZINI (JULY 25); AND ANASTACIA IDALINA GAONA DE ACOSTA (AUGUST 1).

2. AMONG THOSE RELEASED FROM EMBOSCADA WAS OLD-TIME COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBER IDALINA GAONA DE ACOSTA WHO HAD BEEN HELD PRISONER FOR MORE THAN THIRTEEN YEARS WITHOUT CHARGES. CARLOS OTEIZA, A CHILEAN NATIONAL, WAS IMMEDIATELY EXPELLED TO ARGENTINA FOLLOWING HIS RELEASE.

3. OF THOSE KEPT IN DETENTION OTHER THAN EMBOSCADA WE CAN CONFIRM THAT BOROTEO GRANDEL, THE WITNESS IN THE MARTINEZ YARYES DEFAMATION CASE WHO WAS HELD BY THE MILITARY IN VILLARICA FOR MORE UNCLASSIFIED

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THAN EIGHTEEN MONTHS, IS AT LIBERTY. IN ADDITION, RAFAEL RODAS AND PEDRO GABAZZA OLMEDO HAVE BEEN RELEASED BY THE INVESTIGATIONS POLICE (REFTEL C). GABAZZA WAS IMMEDIATELY EXPELLED TO ARGENTINA WHERE HE HAD BEEN RESIDING.

4. WITH THESE LATEST RELEASES, THE NUMBER OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IS REDUCED TO TWENTY-FIVE, EIGHTEEN IN EMBOSCADA AND SEVEN IN OTHER

DETENTION. AN UPDATED PRISONERS LIST IS BEING SENT SEPTTEL.
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